

**The Department of Social Services
Anticipated Job Opportunity
Social Worker**

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Posting Date: August 14, 2006

Closing Date: August 28, 2006

The Department of Social Services is presently accepting applications for one (1) Social Worker position within The Division of Aging, Community and Social Work Services located in our Hartford Office.

Open To: The Public and State Employees

**Position: Social Worker
Position No. 32507**

Bargaining Unit: Social and Human Services (P-2)

Salary Range: \$56,209.00 - \$71,539.00 (SH-24)

Location: 3580 Main Street, Hartford, CT

DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES:

Performs a variety of highly skilled case work services; obtains medical, physical & social histories of clients in order to provide maximum services to individual(s); confers with clients, relatives, professional associates & other social welfare agencies regarding case problems; provides counseling services to an assigned caseload; provides services to aged & disabled clients in boarding or convalescent homes; conducts & interprets results of investigations, professionally evaluating their significance; seeks employment, housing, financial assistance & other services for an assigned caseload; independently prepares case histories, forms & reports; performs related duties as required.

EXPERIENCE & TRAINING: Considerable knowledge of principles, techniques & methods of professional social work; considerable knowledge of various economic, emotional, medical, psychological & social factors influencing attitudes & behavior of individuals and families; knowledge of community resources available to individuals and families; considerable interpersonal skills; considerable oral & written communication skills; considerable ability to interpret & apply social work policies; considerable ability to prepare clear and concise reports and case histories.

General Experience:

A Master's degree in social work or a closely related field or a Bachelor's degree in social work or a closely related field (applied sociology, child development, child welfare, clinical psychology, counseling, human development & family studies, human service, marriage & family therapy, nursing social and/or human services) and two (2) years of experience in the self-directed use of case management techniques and counseling to sustain or restore client functioning; or a Bachelor's degree and three (3) years of experience in the self-directed use of case management techniques and counseling to sustain or restore client functioning.

Note:

- 1) Closely related fields are: applied sociology, child development, child welfare, clinical psychology, counseling, human development and family studies, human service, marriage and family therapy, nursing, social and/or human services.
- 2) Qualifying experience at this level includes the use of professional interviewing techniques, provision of skilled counseling to an assigned client caseload and assessment of basic client needs (nutritional, environmental, financial, medical, protective service) through continuing personal observation during home visits.

SUBSTITUTIONS ALLOWED:

For state employees, successful completion of the Social Worker Trainee Program may be substituted for the General Experience.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 1) Candidates cannot be appointed until all degree requirements are completed.
- 2) Incumbents in this class may be required to speak a foreign language.
- 3) Incumbents in this class may be required to travel.

Note: Applications will be accepted from candidates who have taken the current Social Worker Examination No. 060540 and have received a passing score or state employees who have attained permanent status in the class. This position may be filled by candidates from mandatory Re-employment and SEBAC lists to whom we are obligated to give priority consideration.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Candidates should complete an “original” State of Connecticut Application for Examination or Employment (PLD-1). The PLD-1 Application Form may be downloaded from the State of Connecticut’s Department of Administrative Services Human Resources Services website at: www.das.state.ct.us/exam/default.asp#APPLICATION_FORMS. Please forward your completed original State of Connecticut Application (PLD -1) to:

**Robin Stewart, HR Assistant
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APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 28, 2006 Close of Business

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